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THANKSGIVING, 1947

Can one of us forget to be grateful this Thanksgiving, 1947, that we are AMERICANS?

Turn to the pages of history and try to find a major nation so predominent and so prosperous as is the United States today! God has indeed chosen America for a special dispensation of his loving kindness. Our nation is respected beyond its domain and within its borders offers an unprecendented standard of living.

Yet in all this fairyland that is America, opportunity abounds!

Here is a fabulous land, favored in every way; yet where the dawn of tomorrow is eagerly awaited for new wonders. Yesterday was glorious! Today is incredibly amazing! Tomorrow: is up to you and yours!

So, on Thanksgiving Day, let us bend our knees in prayer, thank a merciful creator for unbounded grace, and pray forsteadfastness, for fortitude and vision.

FRIENDSHIP TRAIN

One of the wonderful things about America is the way some worthwhile cause will "take hold" and suddenly sweep the nation. It is a wonderful tribute to the American people that they "recognize a worthwhile thing when they see it!"

The idea of a FRIENDSHIP TRAIN originated a few weeks ago by newspaper and radio men as a way of demonstrating to the people of Europe that the "HEART" of America went out to those who suffered and that there was a genuine friendship in this world so abounding in hatred, suspicion and envy.

The FriendshipTrain, therefore, rolled out of California eastward, picking up carloads of food. When it reached Chicago it has passed all expectations and had to be divided into sections. Part of the cargo of food has reached ports of embarkation. One section passed through Lynchburg early yesterday.

When he heard that a section of the Friendship Train would stop in Lynchburg, the editor of the Times-Virginian resolved to offer the opportunity to give to the good people of this county, but to do it without fanfare or "begging." We did not a dime! We merely said that we would be in our office and those who cared to give would find us there! Therefore, every penny raised came from the HEART a true token of genuine FRIENDSHIP for the hungry PEOPLE of Europe. A high-pressure "begging" campaign would have been contrary to the idea of the "Friendship Train."

In the light of the above, what happened?

Appomattox did JUST LIKE all the rest of the nation where the opportunity was offered. There was a spontaneous outpouring from the PEOPLE of America to the PEOPLE of Europe!

All of which makes us very proud. Proud to be a citizen of Appomattox, and proud to be an American! It warms the soul to see that the HEART of America knows the meaning of Christian FRIENDSHIP. Europe will not miss the true significance of The Friendship Train and will take heart for the bitter struggle toward rehabilitation.

WHY AN OPINION?

We have just read that the supreme court has handed down a stack of opinions. Why "opinions"? We don't appeal to final authorities for "opinions." We seek law and final rules.

Take My Word for It!
By Frank Colby

THANKSGIVING DAY

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Dear the people coming home,
Dear glad faces long away,
Dear the merry cries, and dear
All the glad and happy play.
Dear the thanks, too, that we give
For all of this, Thanksgiving Day.
—Harriet Spofford

—o—

We, the people of the United States, seldom stop to think that Thanksgiving Day, like its comestible symbol, the turkey, is a strictly North American institution, and that the holiday is celebrated in no other part of the world.

During their first terrible winter of 1620-21, the Pilgrims buried half their number, leveled the graves and sowed them with grain to conceal their losses from the Indians. Immediately after their first harvest in 1621, the Pilgrims established a day of thanksgiving.

While days of thanksgiving were more or less regularly observed by the colonies, and later by the states and territories, a national annual festival was not established until Lincoln designated Thanksgiving Day as the last Thursday of November, 1864.

Each subsequent president has observed the custom of recommending an annual day of Thanksgiving; and the day is so proclaimed by the governors of the states.

The turkey gets its odd name as the result of a misconception. The turkey is a strictly American bird. But when it was introduced into Europe in the 16th century it was confused with the guinea cock, a bird called "turkey" because it came from Africa through Turkey.

The name "turkey" stuck to the American bird, and settlers coming to America brought the name with them and established it in America usage. Thus we have the strange case of an all-American bird bearing a name that was given erroneously to an African bird of an altogether different species!

But, whether you call it turkey or maleagris gallopavo, it is an additional reason for our being thankful in these trying days.

TEEN-AGE TRIUMPHS By Stookie Allen

Charlie Jordan
AN IDEA IN BED!
THIS YOUNG M.I.T. STUDENT ENTERED THE FISHER BODY CONTEST AND FOR MONTHS DESIGNED CAR AFTER CAR—ALL LACKED SOMETHING. THEN ONE NIGHT, WHILE TRYING TO SLEEP, A BIG IDEA HIT HIM! HE SPRANG FROM BED AND WROTE IT DOWN.
I GOTTA WIN THAT PRIZE SO I CAN FINISH SCHOOL!
IT WAS A PERFECT DESIGN! FIRST HE BUILT A CLAY MODEL TO SEE IT IN 3 DIMENSIONS, THEN PUT IT IN WOOD. HARD WORK PAID OFF—HIS DESIGN WITH THE CONVENIENT BUMPER-HEADLIGHT FEATURE, WON A $4,000 PRIZE!
Stookie Allen

SCRIPTURE: I John 4: 5, II John; Acts 4:13.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Romans 8:1-11.

Proof of a Christian

Lesson for November 30, 1947

OPEN your Bible to I John 4—5; Second John; and Acts 4:1-13, and you will have the Scripture background for Sunday's lesson. Add to the above passages Romans 8: 1-11, as devotional reading, and you will be thinking of the unimpeachable proofs of a Christian.

Two men are brought before us as examples of Christian discipleship. Peter and John had been preaching Christ to the people in Jerusalem, and they were arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin. The rulers and priests scolded them, asking by what power or name they had done this. Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, answered them:

Dr. Newton

"Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. . . . Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

And then follows the verse that reveals the proof that these humble fishermen were really Christians:

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus."

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The Lord Is My Helper

IN HEBREWS 13:6, we find this revealing statement: "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear."

The more we study the words of John in Sunday's lesson—words that remind us again and again that God is love, that we love him because he first loved us, that when we love him we are made strong in serving him, the clearer we come to understand the ineffable death in Acts 4:1-13, when Peter and John stood boldly before the Sanhedrin, impressing the court with the fact that they had been with Jesus.

They were not afraid because they were conscious of the presence and power of God. The Psalmist put it sublimely when he said, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."

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When We Walk With God

THE incontestable proof of a Christian is the manner of life he reveals when he walks with God. "And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, that, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it," II John 6. When we walk with God, in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way!

A group of men sat in the University Club in Boston, discussing religion. Someone asked Professor William James to define Christianity.

"I will not attempt a definition of Christianity, but I can give you an illustration."

And he pointed to Phillips Brooks. There was no argument. Phillips Brooks was proof positive that Christianity is something vital and practical and real and effective in everyday life.

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Who Is a Christian?

WE COME now to the question which always emerges when we think along this line, Who is a Christian? Look now at I John 4: 15-31. I quote some of these revealing words:

"Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love: and he that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God, and God in him."

We are not certified as Christians by any man-made creed, nor by any ritual or ceremony. We are certified as Christians by the direct access which every soul may have with God, through Jesus Christ our Great High Priest forever.

Church membership does not make us Christians. Baptism does not make us Christians.

Anyone may become a Christian, provided he or she is willing to confess their utter lost estate and, repenting of sin, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Redeemer. Christ is the Author and the Finisher of our salvation. There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved.

"Whosoever will may come."

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"GAY GADGETS"

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By NANCY PEPPER

SKIN-GAME

Flowers certainly grow in the most unexpected places these days. Even that contrary Mary of the old nursery rhyme couldn't have done better with her silver bells and cockle shells. How ingenious can you get, is what we want to know.

Strapless Solution — Bet you don't know the newest way to wear your corsage with a strapless formal. With Scotch tape you stick it on one bare shoulder, and, before you know it, you'll have every girl in town following your lead. It works better with single gardenias and orchids than with bulky corsages, of course.

On and Off-Shoulder — With your off-shoulder peasant blouse you wear daisies or simple garden flowers, scotch taped to one shoulder.

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Before and After

He used to phone me nightly,
And flowers he would send;
My wish was his command;
And at my call he'd run—
But, since we have gone steady,
All this is at an end;
It's more fun to be wooed
Than it is to be won!

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JABBERWOCKY AND JIVE

Quazy Quotes

What did one life preserver say to the other life preserver?
Hi, ya—big buoy!

—o—

What did one termite say to the other termite?
"I'm getting board, aren't you?"

—o—

What did one scale say to the other scale?
"Oh, go weigh!"

—o—

What did one alarm clock say to the other alarm clock?
"I'm all set for a good time!"

—o—

What did one cucumber say to another cucumber?
"I'm in an awful pickle!"

—o—

What did one "yes-man" say to another "yes-man"?
"I don't no!"

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KNICK KNOCKS

Knock, Knock.
Who's there?
Katch.
Katch who?
Do you need a handkerchief?
It works out the same if you say that "Boo" is knocking. Try it. Isn't it enough to make a moth bawl?

Senators may make a survey of available stocks of food in the United States.

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ew Home Built From Kindling

Uses 26,000 Blocks, Adds Cement Roof; Job Done in Spare Time.

LINGTON, IOWA. — Sixty-year-old E. C. Etchison didn't let the housing shortage get him down. Single-handed he went to and built a brand new home, ckets" long and 33 "blocks"

ighbors call it the "Kindle-" because it is a bungalow from kindling.

e dwelling was constructed eight-inch square blocks sold local lumber yard as firewood. son and his wife were living at daughter's home two years when he conceived the idea of ing a place of his own.

e materials were scarce and priced. Then Etchison learned local lumber yard had thousands d white pine blocks. They had ntended originally by the Iowa ordnance plant here during the war for use in shipping and other ordinance parts.

son decided to build a "block e" when the lumber yard offered him all he wanted at $6 to $8

Two Years Later, a Home.

began in August, 1945, working his spare time.

e years and 26,000 wooden s later—he used 22 tons altohe had a complete three-house, a garage, a brooder a henhouse for the family's 0 chickens.

"Kindlelow" is a home many ng bride, weary of cramped e housing, would love to ain.

designed the place as I went said Etchison. "The only I had was from my wife. There any waste. Any blocks that n't be used for building made firewood."

ing novel features of the "Kin-" which measures 22 by 30 is a cement roof. Etchison, a finisher, rebelled against conventional roofing materials because of its expense.

ement roof is standing up he said, "and we don't have worry about the block walls ng out of shape either. The is well seasoned. The house'll ong as we have any need

Etchisons lived in the ga-while the "Kindlelow" was ris-and Mrs. Etchison bordered it kinds of flowers.

e moved in and had our first here last Mother's Day," said Etchison. "I call it our 'dime because every time we got a we invested in another section

Made Nice Floor.

blocks were cemented and together, Sanded, stained and ished, they made a beautiful floor. Etchison doesn't his "Kindlelow" will ever be finished. He still has a pile eral hundred blocks and wants add a front and back porch other units.

never built a house before," he d, "but I've done considerable ng."

estimated that altogether he pent between $2,000 and $3,000 house and its buildings.

people wouldn't think it would that much," he said, "but kinds money, too, nowadays. you have to buy all kinds of things."

Etchisons live alone in the Kindlelow" with Shrimp, their ed and "two or three cats that around."

r seven children are all married gone," said Mrs. Etchison. kes to show her home to visitors come many miles to see it. e is proud of a remark made e elderly visitor about Etchi-handiwork:

just goes to show what you do if you really want to."

ut and Shave Problem Was New One to This Barber

RACINE, WIS. — Racine police asked to settle an argument to the old ditty about the of a shave and a haircut.

barber told officials a customer his shop and asked for a . The barber told the man he shave him if he also had a

man had his haircut, and was

he refused to pay the price haircut, arguing he wanted the shave. Then the barber police.

orities sighed and told the he'd have to see his attor-

ion Restricts Duty-Free ood for American Embassy

SHINGTON. — Russia has reed the amount of goods United diplomats may import into S.S.R. duty free and this may a reduction in the Moscow staff, Ambassador Walter Smith said. Smith, who re-from Moscow for "routine ations," told newsmen the ities may curb shipments of the embassy staff. He added, wever, that talks on relaxing gulations have been "satisfac-

Richwood

Richwood, Nov. 25.- Divine services at Central Church on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pierce and daughter, of Farmville were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Carter Martin and J. Lloyd Lewis Saturday.

Mrs. Josephine Reed, of Lynchburg was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Blackwell called on Mr. Wm. Fleshman Sunday.

Mrs. D. A. Pugh and Mrs. Henry Reed were afternoon guests of Mrs. Robert Wilburn last Thursday.

Walter Lee has been confined to his home for two weeks with a illness. We hope for speedy recovery.

W. F. Woodall, of Lynchburg was a hunting guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Wooldridge and Mr. and Mrs. D. A Pugh attended the wood chopping and quilting party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh at Rocks today (Thursday).

Meyers case is presented to the grand jury.

Do your Christmas shopping early this time. Holidays stocks are now on display. See Times-Virginian ads for yuletide messages.

Christmas comes on a Thursday this years.

Play safe—drive carefully.

Tobacco markets in the dark fired belt open December 8.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Nov. 25.- Rev. C. G. Carter preached a fine sermon here at the Baptist Church last Sunday morning.

Mrs. R. J. Paulett was the supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Harvey on Sunday night.

Mrs. Mary Sullivan and Mrs. S. D. Thompson, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

W. J. Glover, of Crewe, visited his sister, Mrs. J. C. Staples recently.

Mrs. Earl Harris is ill at this writing.

Bessie Ann Glover, who has been ill,is able to be back at school.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Childers, of Vera visited Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ferguson Sunday.

Quite a number from here attended the Sunday School meeting at Farmville Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Glover, of Crewe called to see Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover Saturday night.

Mrs. Howard Glover and three children, Eulalia, Elnora and Bessie Ann are spending a few days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ferguson.

Mrs. J. C. Staples spent Friday in Lynchburg with her daughter, Mrs. Sam White.

Mrs. W. E. Warriner entertained a number of ladies from around here Friday night with a quilting.

The P.-T. A. meeting was held on Friday afternoon and the school gave a very interesting program.

Miss Phyllis Harvey was the supper guest of Miss Gwendolyn Paulett Sunday night.

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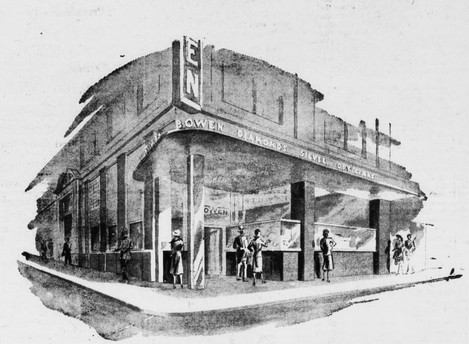

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